(*e*) the names of those who were discharged from the Cochin service but entertained here;

(*f*) their conduct while in the Cochin service and the reasons for their discharge from that service; and

(*g*) the names of those who, after being discharged from Cochin, were entertained in the Travancore service and whose service in Cochin has been counted as service here, as also the length of their service in Cochin so counted?

MR. R KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*g*) Government do not propose to call for the information, as the period for which it is wanted is indefinite, and as in their opinion the time and labour involved in its collection will be out of proportion to its utility.

Persons discharged from the Cochin service.

175. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the fact that when persons who were discharged from the Cochin service were entertained here, there were people here with superior qualifications, who were applicants for those posts?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons which induced them to entertain persons whose services were dispensed with by the Cochin Government?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not possible to give an answer, unless particulars of the cases which the member has in mind are given.

Entertainment of a person who worked against Travancore Interests.

176. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether an officer who, while in the Cochin service, worked in favour of Cochin and against Travancore in connection with the boundary dispute between the two States, was entertained in the service here?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state the name of that officer, his official designation here, and his pay?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state what that officer's official designation and pay in Cochin was?

(*d*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether that officer's services were dispensed with in Cochin or whether his services were lent to this State?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*d*) It is not possible to give an answer, unless the member gives the name of the officer whom he has in view.

Grievances of Employees in Medical Department.

177. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the

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fact that, under the recent reorganisation of the Medical Department, officers with longer and shorter service are receiving the same pay, and that this has been a source of grievance to several officers?

(*b*) Do the Government propose to give them pay according to the length of their service?

(*c*) Has the Darbar Physician brought this matter to the notice of the Government?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes. This is inevitable to some extent.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

Promotion of Mr. P. R. Subba Aiyar.

178. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Darbar Physician has recommended Mr. P. R. Subba Aiyar, L. M. & S., to be promoted to the Surgeon's place now vacant, instead of recommending Mr. K. Krishna Pillai, L. M. & S.?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the several hospitals of the State in which Messrs. P. R. Subba Aiyar and K. Krishna Pillai had been medical officers and also the period during which they were in charge of each?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The member is referred to the answer to question No. 171.

(*b*) The member is referred to the History of Services of Gazetted Officers—pages 704 to 706.

Promotion of Medical Officers as Deputy Surgeons.

179. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state how many of the medical officers who passed out of the Madras Medical College and joined the medical service here have been promoted as Deputy Surgeons since the appointment of Dr. Lakshmanan as Darbar Physician? Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing their names?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Assistant Surgeons L. A. Ravi Varma and K. P. Raman Pillai were permanently, and Assistant Surgeons N. Lakshmana Aiyar and A. M. Mathew temporarily, promoted to the grade of Deputy Surgeons.

Irregularities of Mr. P. N. Sankara Aiyar, Assistant Excise Commissioner.

180. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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